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District Programs Information Bulletin

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TO: All District Administrative Coordinators
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All District Fiscal Agents
All District Planning Council Members
All District Planning Oversight Committee Members
All District Response Task Force Commanders
All Emergency Management Directors

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Subject: Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and Medical Services
Awareness

Purpose

The purpose of this Information Bulletin is to announce Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and Medical Services Awareness course being offered in July and August 2011. This course will be offered in each of the 10 Districts in Indiana. Districts will need to provide 2 sets of possible dates that they would like to offer the course in their district; ***date selection is due by March 29th, 2011.*** All 10 offerings must be completed by September 2nd, 2011, please keep this in mind when choosing your possible course offering dates.

General

The “Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and Medical Services Awareness” training course familiarizes participants with the primary activities and composition of ESF #8, as it pertains to both state and local government levels within Indiana. Individuals will be able to take this knowledge to enhance current policies, plans and procedures as well as establish new or improve current relationships with both public health and emergency management stakeholders.

The goal of this course is to increase the participants’ level of understanding regarding the scope and mission of Indiana’s ESF-8 activities. Included in this understanding are the primary services, equipment, partner agencies, and mission essential tasks relevant to ESF-8. Participants will also gain familiarization with other areas that ESF-8 personnel may support.

This Informational Bulletin is intended to communicate guidance and clarification of District Programs. The information contained herein supersedes all previous information or guidance pertaining to the subject. This information is intended to help districts plan, prepare, take appropriate actions and collaborate. Any questions pertaining to this bulletin may be directed to the Field Services Division at 317-234-7228. To be added to the District Informational Bulletins distribution list, please send an email to fieldservices@dhs.in.gov.

Logistics

This is a 1-day course, 8 credit hours. There will be a total of 10 course offerings, 1 per district. Lodging will not be available for this course.

Registration

Details and registration information will be posted at the IDHS Training Opportunities calendar found at <https://oas.in.gov:4443/hs/training/public/calendar.do> once dates and locations for the training are established.

Questions

Any questions pertaining to Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and Medical Services Awareness training may be submitted to Robin Stump, EMS Specialist, rstump@dhs.in.gov, OR John Copeland, IDMS Coordinator, jcopeland@dhs.in.gov, 317-234-7729.